This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims:

1-38 (Canceled).

- 39. (New) A process of forming ribavirin particles, the process comprising: mixing ribavirin with at least three excipients to form a mixture; adding water to the mixture in the range of 15-79% of the total mixture; and shaping the mixture into ribavirin particles.
- 40. (New) The process according to claim 39, further comprising filling a capsule with the particles resulting in a total weight ranging from 243 mg to 297 mg of particles in the capsule.
- 41. (New) The process according to claim 40, further comprising adding a lubricant to the particles before filling the capsule.
- 42. (New) The process according to claim 41, wherein one of the excipients is povidone.
- 43. (New) The process according to claim 39, wherein the at least three excipients are a binder, a filler, and a disintegrant.
- 44. (New) The process according to claim 43, wherein the binder, filler, and disintegrant are selected from the group consisting of: povidone, starch, lactose, polyethylene glycol, hydroxypropyl methylcellulose, croscarmellose sodium, cellulose, bentonite, cross-povidones, microcrystalline cellulose, and sucrose.

- 45. (New) The process according to claim 39, wherein the shaping step is accomplished by spheronization.
- 46. (New) The process according to claim 39, further comprising heating the mixture to a temperature ranging from about 35 °C to about 45 °C, until the mixture contains a moisture content ranging from 0.5% to 5.0%.
- 47. (New) A process of forming a ribavirin mixture, the process comprising: forming a mixture comprising about 35% to about 80% of ribavirin by weight, and at least two excipients;

adding water to the mixture; and drying the mixture.

- 48. (New) The process according to claim 47, further comprising shaping the mixture into particles.
 - 49. (New) A process of forming a ribavirin mixture, the process comprising: combining ribavirin and at least three excipients to form a mixture; adding water to the mixture; and drying the mixture.
- 50. (New) The process according to claim 49, wherein water is added to the mixture in the range of 15-79% of the total mixture.
- 51. (New) A process of forming a ribavirin mixture, the process comprising: combining ribavirin with a binder, disintegrant and wetting agent to form a granulated mixture; and

drying the granulated mixture.

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- 52. (New) The process according to claim 51, wherein water is added as the wetting agent and in the range of 15-79% of the total mixture.
- 53. (New) The process according to claim 51, further comprising shaping the granulated mixture into particles and preparing a pharmaceutical dosage with the particles.
 - 54. (New) Formulating a ribavirin composition by wet granulation.
- 55. (New) A ribavirin composition, wherein the composition consists essentially of free flowing ribavirin particles.
- 56. (New) The composition according to claim 55, further comprising at least three excipients.